## COURT ORDER NO. 98- 539 -09-20

THE STATE OF TEXAS

MISCELLANEOUS ORDERS:
CONSTRUCT MODEL AIRPLANE
RUNWAY AT BRATONIA PARK
RICHARDSON RADIO
CONTROL AIRPLANE CLUB
CONSTRUCTION AND PLANNING

**COUNTY OF COLLIN** 

On September 28, 1998, Commissioners' Court of Collin County, Texas, met in special session with the following members present and participating, to wit:

Ron Harris
Phyllis Cole
Jerry Hoagland
Joe Jaynes
Jack Hatchell

County Judge, Presiding Commissioner, Precinct 1 Commissioner, Precinct 2 Commissioner, Precinct 3 Commissioner, Precinct 4

During such session the court considered a request from Construction and Planning for approval to construct a model airplane runway at Bratonia Park, as requested by the Richardson Radio Control Airplane Club.

Thereupon, a motion was made, seconded and carried with a majority vote of the court granting to construct model airplane runway at Bratonia Park as requested by the Richardson Radio Control Airplane Club. Same is hereby approved in accordance with the attached documentation.

Ron Harris County Judge

Phyllis Cole Commissioner, Pct. 1

Jerry Heagland, Commissioner, Pct. 2

Joe Jaynes Commissioner, Pct. 3

Jack Hatchell, Commissioner, Pct. 4

ATTEST:

Helen Starnes, Ex-Officio Clerk Commissioners' Court

Collin County, TEXAS

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## **Construction & Planning**

September 18, 1998

TO:

Commissioners' Court

FROM:

Glen Renfro

RE:

Model Airplane Runway

Attached you should find a request from the Richardson Radio Control Club to construct a 50' wide X 350' asphalt runway at the Bratonia Park site. The club has had the runway engineered to meet professional standards. We submitted the engineering plans and the request to the Corps of Engineers who have in turn approved the design and construction.

It would be my recommendation, to the Court, to approve the construction of the runway. I have also asked the RRCC by a separate letter, to install signage that allows Collin County Citizens to know that this park is sponsored by Collin County. If you have any questions please give me a call.

GER:nj Attachments

cc:

Randy LaJaunie

Bob Lindberg Bill Moore MINK

AUG 18 1998
August 17th, ABOMINISTRATIVE
SERVICES

Jack Hatchell Collin County Commissioner 210 S. McDonald St. Suite 626 McKenny, TX 75069-5667

Jack,

I am writing to inform you of a potentially devastating situation that is occurring right now with the development of the Bratonia Park R/C flying field. This situation must be addressed and resolved immediately.

As you are well aware, the Richard Radio Control Club (RRCC) has committed, in the form a lease agreement, to develop and maintain the flying field at Bratonia Park. In the past year we have reclaimed the land, invested much time and money, and built permanent shelters in our continuing effort of this undertaking. We have submitted yearly development plans showing our progress and intentions with the future of the flying site.

These continued improvements of the facility have been under the supervision and scrutiny of the Open Space department of Collin County. We have strived to meet whatever changes or requirements were demanded of us by the county. We have been informed on several occasions that this site is one of the best-organized and maintained facilities in the program. For these reasons we must address you, your constituents, and the Army Corp. representatives to resolve our current situation.

As submitted with all of our planning documents to the county, we have planned and funded for a paved runway at the site. We have submitted formal, detailed documents to the county on June 19, 1998 for this runway. This is in line with our yearly development plans submitted in April. To date we had not had any disposition on the status of the plan. We have been given vague information on its status, and the Army Corp. has not even been given a copy to start their review process. The dry weather and nature of the soil at the field has rendered the runway, therefor the site, unusable. We are rapidly falling behind with the construction of the runway and have everything at risk. Our 100+ membership will quickly diminish if they have a field they have invested so much time and money in that can not be used. We have shown our dedication and commitment to the project, but the future of the site rests in your hands. The 20-year lease that weighs an extremely heavy burden on club has been excepted and fulfilled on the part of the RRCC. On the small requirements of the county, and minor modifications to correct errors in the lease agreement, we have seen virtually nothing.

If the county wishes to have the Army Corp the responsible party in the agreement, then that may be a topic for discussion. Our past field was with the Corp. and saw very little procedural or cooperation problems.

As mentioned in an earlier paragraph, to resolve this situation we are requesting a face to face meeting with the county and the Army Corp. The "c.c." of this letter is the complement we believe are necessary. If you require others in attendance, than that is perfectly acceptable to us. I would request this meeting within 2 weeks of receiving this letter.

We wish nothing more than to resolve this situation in a sprit of cooperation. All we ever wanted to do is fly. Please be prepared to address these concerns, review the runway plans, and if everything is in order, approve the plans for immediate construction.

Thank you,

Nick Calautti
President / RRCC

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Cc: Bob Lindberg (Collin County)
Cc: Jerry Hammers (Army Corp.)

Cc: Ed Hill (Army Corp.)



## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

FORT WORTH DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS P. O. BOX 17300

FORT WORTH, TEXAS 76102-0300

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

September 9, 1998

Real Estate Division

SUBJECT: Lease No. DACW63-1-95-0511, Lavon Lake

Mr. Randy LaJaunie Collin County Parks Manager 210 South McDonald Street, Suite 622 McKinney, Texas 75069

Dear Mr. LaJaunie:

This letter is in response to your letter, dated August 17, 1998, to Mr. Ed Hill, Lavon Lake Manager, requesting approval for construction on an asphalt runway at the Bratonia Park Radio Control Flying Field. The request to construct this runway is approved. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Rich Adamson at (817) 978-2329.

Sincerely,

Hyla J. Head

Chief, Real Estate Division